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VIA ECF and Email

Honorable John P. Cronan
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

**Re: United States v. Ralph Scurlock
21 Cr. 489 (JPC)**

Dear Judge Cronan,

I write to respectfully request that the Court schedule a conference as soon as possible, at which Mr. Scurlock wishes to be appointed new counsel. Our ability to communicate has broken down and I believe that Mr. Scurlock should proceed with a new attorney at this time.

There is still sufficient time before the trial date of March 28, 2022 for a new attorney to adequately prepare for trial and/or explore a pre-trial disposition.

Mr. Scurlock consents to proceeding by phone for his substitution of counsel hearing.
Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/
Sylvie Levine
Assistant Federal Defender